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REMARKS

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1. Between 23 and 30 November 1951, the Reuss Kaserne in Gera (M 51/K 06) was occupied to capacity. Troops observed there wore tank and artillery insignia. Vehicles

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2. The barracks installation in Gera-Tinz was vacant between 23 and 30 November. the unit from the installation was in the Reuss Kaserne. \*\*

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3. The following troop trains were seen passing through Gera between 14 and 21 November:

Date and Time	Number of Axles and Load	From Direction	To
14 November 10 p.m.	78; troops with 20 heavy AT guns, prime movers and equipment	Zeitz	Saalfeld
16 November 5:03 p.m.	84; troops with 20 heavy AT guns, prime movers and equipment	Zeitz	Saalfeld
16 November 10 p.m.	86; troops with 20 heavy AT guns, prime movers and equipment	Zeitz	Rudolstadt
21 November 1:03 a.m.	46; troops with 10 rocket launchers and equipment	Gera	Rudolstadt

4. Vehicles leaving the barracks installation in Gera. Soldiers observed with the vehicles wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. \*

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\* [ ] Comment. [ ] previously reported that from 80 to 100 tanks allegedly moved into the Reuss Kaserne between 9 and 12 November. See

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indication that the information may have been true. Conclusions as to the identity of the units in the Reuss Kaserne cannot yet be drawn on the basis of [ ]. However, it is notable that none

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observed in the Reuss Kaserne as late as 2 November 1951. [ ] It is believed that the regiment was transferred from the Reuss Kaserne to Rudolstadt or Saalfeld because [ ] of 25X1C the regiment from Saalfeld on 30 October and 19 November 1951 and because paragraph 3 of the present report lists the departure of a Rudolstadt-bound shipment of rocket launchers from Gera on 21 November.

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\* [ ] Comment. The 880th Engr Bn and the unidentified signal battalion of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps have been carried in the barracks installation at Gera-Tinz to date. The statement [ ] in the present report 25X1 appears unfounded. But there is a possibility that the signal battalion has moved to Rudolstadt. [ ]

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\* [ ] Comment. The information is not specific enough to draw conclusions as to the identity of the units on the three trains. [ ] had confused the AT 25X1 guns with AA guns, the large number of guns and the prime movers observed still make it unlikely that the trains should have carried the unidentified AAA regiment of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps, which [ ] reported to 25X1 have been transferred from Zeitz to Probstzella, south of Saalfeld, about 15 November. [ ]

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